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Presidential Commentary

Kevin Foley

The Central States Numismatic Society and the numismatic community in general suffered significant loss shortly after the Detroit American Numismatic Association Convention with the passing of Harry X Boosel. Harry was an individual whose life was enriched by his numismatic associations and who in turn gave much back to his hobby friends. He was a gifted researcher who shared his knowledge with others, but most of all he was simply a fine gentleman. We shall all mourn this loss and remember him fondly.

At our September Board meeting in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky the Milwaukee Convention Committee gave a detailed report of their progress to date. The Board is confident that the April event will be an outstanding success. Booth sales are running well in advance of the pace of last year and the procrastinators may find the bourse sold out before long.

One unexpected development is the temporary closing for a major renovation of the Marc Plaza Hotel, one of our secondary lodging properties. Although the committee was able to obtain additional rooms at a nearby Holiday Inn, there will still likely be a shortage of hotel rooms to service the needs of our attendees. Information on the available hotels and their rates appears elsewhere in this issue of *The Centinel*. I'd urge everyone to make their hotel arrangements as soon as possible in order to be sure of lodgings in close proximity to the MECCA Convention Center event site. There will be another major convention in Milwaukee over our dates and it is a near certainty that all the downtown hotels will be sold out.

At our September Board meeting your Governors also reviewed in detail a report submitted by Paul Padget and Harry Tileston relative to the financial future of CSNS. In the interests of economy the Board voted after hearing their report to reduce its size from 13 to 10 members effective with the next election. Since this is a matter affecting the voting rights of the members it is one which will require ratification by the general membership at the annual meeting which will take place at our Saturday afternoon meeting to be held in conjunction with the Milwaukee convention. While there were different opinions on the issue, my own feeling is that the decision was a correct one. Since all the Board members are elected at large, there is no specific constituency whose representation will be reduced by the adoption of such a measure. In addition, the significant cost saving achieved will free up resources which can better be devoted to such educational activities as the publication of *The Centinel*. In addition, with the possible exception of our most recent election where numerous candidates sought office, it has never been particularly difficult to actually be elected to the Board. By decreasing the number of offices available it should make our elections more competitive and ensure a more vigorous exchange of candidates' views for the members to consider. In any event the final decision on the matter will be made at the general membership meeting in Milwaukee.

Since I've mentioned *The Centinel*, it would be in order to recognize our Editors, Jim and Karen Jach. Two years ago they received the Third Place award from the American Numismatic Association in its competition to recognize the best regional club publication. At the Detroit ANA convention they received Second Place recognition. As a past Editor of *The Centinel* myself, I realize the many hours of hard work which go into each issue of the magazine and am pleased to see that their efforts have achieved recognition. I know our members all look forward to receiving each issue and we are fortunate to have these two dedicated members at the helm of our membership journal.

Kevin Foley
President

A Message from the Secretary

Jerry Lebo

Hey, I've moved and have a new phone number. It's 317-889-4253. My mailing address remains P.O. Box 44337, Indianapolis, IN 46224.

Action by the CSNS Board of Governors during its fall interim meeting will require the general membership to vote on two things during the annual spring convention in Milwaukee.

First, the board recommended reducing the number of governors from 13 to 10. This will cut some of the travel and hotel expenses associated with the two board meetings per year.

Second, members will vote on a recommendation to allow junior membership through age 17. Currently, it's through age 18. If approved, members become eligible for regular status (and that includes voting rights) at the age of 18.

Both amendments must be approved at the annual general membership meeting. In other words, this isn't a mail vote. The first proposal (board size) is an amendment to the bylaws and requires a simple majority for approval. The second (age) amends the constitution and requires a two-thirds majority to amend.

CSNS will be selling off about 200 ounces of silver in the form of the 50th anniversary medal first minted in 1989. Sales have been sluggish, to say the least, during the past few years. The governing board has agreed to offer members a special price on the remaining inventory, then sell what's left for bullion to be melted after the Milwaukee convention.

The one-ounce proof version originally retailed for $24.95 and is being offered at a close-out price of $15, plus $2 postage per medal. The one-ounce business strike version was originally priced at $14.95 and is being offered now for $8 plus $2 postage per medal.

There is an ad elsewhere in *The Centinel* that includes my address for ordering by mail. We'll also have the medals available at the Milwaukee convention.

Governor Allen Karn of Ohio has done it again. Yours truly recalls Allen donating $100 for YN programs a couple years ago. This time he's funnelled $124.48 to CSNS juniors' programs. CSNS pays hotel expenses for its board members, but Allen said the $124.48 for his room at the fall board meeting should be used instead for YN activities. He paid the hotel bill out of his own pocket.

We've set up a separate YN account. With previous donations, it now contains more than $600.

The membership anniversary honor roll we publish in *The Centinel* is based on five-year increments beginning at 20 years and going up, i.e,. 25, 30, etc. The highest number, usually 40 or 45 years, doesn't mean these are the longest continuing members. That honor currently is owned by Carl T. Shelby, who joined the society in 1943. Harry X Boosel, who died last summer, also was a member of the class of '43.

I was surprised to learn, during a review of the membership roster, that only about 40 local and regional coin clubs are members of Central States. Does anybody have any thoughts on the subject? Does your club belong? If not, why?

Another review of our records shows people who opted for life membership status back in 1950 paid a whopping $7.50. By 1955 it was up to $15, then $30 in 1958, $40 in 1961 and $60 in 1971. The $100 rate went into effect in 1976, which means the 1993 increase to $125 was the first LM dues hike in 17 years.

As is the continuing plight of hobby publication editors, Jim and Karen Jach are

always in the market for material. If you have an idea for a story, please contact them. Their address and phone number appear in the front of *The Centinel*. We even pay our authors. You won't get rich at 5 cents a word, but you probably can buy a Morgan dollar or two with the proceeds.

Each issue of *The Centinel* contains a list of "lost" members - people who move and don't give us their new address. The sad part about it is that the "lost" people probably will never see the list because we no longer have their correct mailing address.

Thus, it's up to the rest of us to scan this list and either report a correct address to me or contact the lost person and have him or her get ahold of yours truly. If, in the future, you go for months and months without receiving *The Centinel*, chances are you're "lost" and don't know it.

A few members have told me they don't need three or four copies of *The Centinel* coming in their mail. In checking our roster, I find we have more than 200 addresses that get two or more copies of our quarterly publication. That happens when there are two or more members of the same family holding membership, or where a coin dealership has several principals or employees who are members.

I certainly won't arbitrarily limit *The Centinel* to one copy per address. However, if you'd like to reduce the number of copies coming to your address, just let me know and we'll adjust the mailing list accordingly.

Meanwhile, it's on to Milwaukee for our 56th anniversary convention April 28- 30, with PNG Day scheduled the 27th. In addition to a fine convention taking shape thanks to our hard working Milwaukee group, I'm looking forward to sampling the cuisine offered by some of the city's restaurants.

Most dealers are familiar with the rule that personnel behind our convention tables must be members of CSNS, except for relatives of the main dealer. Some dealer packets wind up being delayed in their distribution because one or more of the named booth personnel aren't members and have to join. Or they may be members whose dues are delinquent. In the case of the latter, that means the individual's dues have to be caught up and the ensuing year's dues paid.

So if you're a dealer who gets a notice from me that somebody on your bourse list isn't a member, you can save yourself some time at the convention by remitting the required dues by mail ahead of time.

The board during its September meeting approved a revision in the deadline for dues payment. Henceforth, notices will be mailed by March 1, second notices around July 1 and the membership rolls will be purged of non-paid members Sept. 1.

Meanwhile, we'll be sending out annual dues notices after the first of the year. Please be alert for them.

Which brings me to the subject of George Courtesis, long-time treasurer of the Indiana State Numismatic Association. George hardly knew me 15 years ago when I became an officer in ISNA. It took George several days and a phone call to determine I was only kidding when I sent him some expenses and a note that said "please pay promptly or I'll have your legs broken."

It's been a running joke since then, but George always pays promptly. I know you will, too.

Jerry Lebo
Secretary

CSNS Board Meeting Minutes

Fort Mitchell, Ky. Sept. 16, 1994

President Kevin Foley called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. Roll call showed all members present except George Beach, Kurt Krueger and Peter Phillips. All excused.

Florence Schook moved the minutes from the Indianapolis spring meeting be accepted. Seconded by Brian Fanton. Approved.

There was a moment of silence for deceased members, including CSNS Past President Harry X Boosel.

The treasurer's report was accepted.

Guest Bob Paul outlined a plan by which CSNS could sponsor a telephone credit card for an initial outlay of $3,700. Paul was instructed to present a written proposal.

The Finance Committee report was postponed until Saturday.

The secretary's report included correspondence from ANA regarding our listing in the club directory. The board approved listing Secretary Jerry Lebo as club representative. There also was a thank-you letter from Jim Jach for his scholarship to the ANA summer seminar.

The board agreed not to award honorary memberships to several public officeholders whose honorary memberships expired when they left office.

Committee Reports:

Treasury Oversight: Harry Tileston reported no problems.

Editors and Advertising: Jim Jach said they are still working with M&D Printing and looking at alternatives in the Milwaukee area.

Medal of Merit: No report.

Historian: No report.

Convention Site Coordinator: Leon Thornton said he will be visiting several possible future sites. Kevin Foley reported interest has been expressed for Columbus, Ohio.

Bradford Award: Leonard Owen reported the committee is studying its options.

Exhibit Rules: No recommendations.

Young Numismatists: Florence Schook suggested creating a treasury book entry for use of money dedicated to YN programs. The treasurer will handle administratively.

Scholarship: Roger Winkelhake said there is a need to develop rules for adult scholarships; that we have them for juniors. Kevin Foley said we've been following junior guidelines for the adults.

Legal Counsel: No report.

Dealers: Paul Padget said he has received no comments in this area.

Convention Manual Revision: Jerry Lebo said work is needed on the manual and questioned whether one or two banquet tickets should be available per dealer table. Howard Linville (Indianapolis show chairman) was recognized and said it's possible several hundred tickets could be demanded under the current manual rule of two tickets per table. Leon Thornton moved to revise the manual to set a limit of one ticket per table to be available on Friday during the show. Seconded by Roger Winkelhake. Approved.

Board Size: Postponed until Saturday.

Old Business:

Treasury Audit: No problems other than a double entry posting.

PNG Day Survey: Kevin Foley said the survey has been delayed and deferred a report until the spring meeting.

Insurance: Current policies given to legal counsel for review.

Secretary's Computer: Using Indiana State equipment with no problems; CSNS pays for supplies. CSNS computer stored as backup.

Membership Applications: New bi-fold model distributed.

Indianapolis Show Report: Accepted.

Future Conventions:

Convention Labor Expenses: There was discussion about local host groups paying their own members to handle cases, etc. There was no motion made on the subject.

Milwaukee 1995: Russ Konig (bourse chairman) reported 51 corner and 59 single tables already sold; United Airlines is official airline for show; three hotels lined up; dealer party planned; tours will include Western Publishing and Johnson Wax; there will be a spouses' luncheon and possibly a foreign dealers' section.

Kansas City 1996: No report.

Indianapolis 1997: Hotel and convention center lined up. John Wilson moved Indiana State Numismatic Association be added as co-host with Indianapolis Coin Club. Seconded by Paul Padget. Approved.

St. Louis 1998: No report.

Madison, Wis.: No report. Leon Thornton to check with them to see if invitation forthcoming for a fall convention.

John Wilson presented an invitation from the Milwaukee Numismatic Society and the South Shore Coin Club to co-host the spring 1999 convention (April 22-25). Leon Thornton moved we accept the invitation. Seconded by Ray Lockwood. Approved.

There was discussion about the increasing difficulty in locking in convention center reservations. There was a consensus that we need to schedule a convention for 2000, possibly in Columbus, Ohio or Minneapolis.

Additionally, there was discussion about the need to exercise care in scheduling fall conventions to assure a successful show.

Leonard Owen moved to give the president discretion in selecting a centrally located site for the fall board meeting in the absence of a convention to save on travel expenses. Seconded by Leon Thornton. Approved.

New Business:

Budget: It was agreed a budget is needed and work will proceed in that direction.

The question of early bird badges was raised. Following discussion, it was decided the current policy of tying these to tabled dealers should be left intact.

Leon Thornton moved for adjournment until Saturday. Seconded by Jim Kaczor. Approved.

Fort Mitchell, Ky. Sept. 17, 1994

President Foley called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. Roll call showed all members present except George Beach, Kurt Krueger, Peter Phillips and Leon Thornton. All excused.

President Foley assigned legal counsel to determine what changes are needed in the constitution and bylaws to define the duties of the officers.

Secretary Jerry Lebo presented a proposed revision of the bylaws to change the dues payment schedule. Dues notices go out by March 1, second notice by July 1 with removal of delinquent members on Sept. 1. Allen Karn moved for acceptance. Seconded by Roger Winkelhake. Approved.

President Kevin Foley issued a directive for publishing in *The Centinel* the annual treasurer's report and the board meeting minutes except those parts dealing with unresolved disciplinary matters. No objections.

Secretary Jerry Lebo reported we still have just over 200 ounces of silver in the form of the 50th anniversary medal struck in 1989; that sales have been slow for several years and that we should dispose of the medals. Allen Karn moved that we offer uncirculated silver medals at a cost of $8 each and the proof silver medals at a cost of $15 each (both plus $2 postage per medal), then to sell what remains as bullion following the spring convention in Milwaukee. Seconded by Paul Padget. Approved

Following discussion about requests to use our mailing list, Leonard Owen moved that the mailing list not be made available for commercial solicitation. Seconded by Harry Tileston. Approved.

The president's medal of office was presented to Kevin Foley by Immediate Past President Leonard Owen. (Note: this medal previously was presented upon leaving office. Now it will be given upon entering office.)

The Financial Planning Committee (Harry Tileston and Paul Padget) presented its report after reviewing questionnaires returned by board members. The following is a summary, with motions where made, of the report:

Paul Padget moved to recommend a reduction in the number of governors for 13 to 10, saving about $4,000 a year in board expenses; to be effective with the next election. Seconded by Florence Schook. Approved 6-0. (Note: As this affects the voting rights of members, the proposal must be submitted for a vote of the membership at the general meeting next April in Milwaukee.)

Inserts will be eliminated from *The Centinel* to save expenses. No motion necessary.

Harry Tileston moved to limit the CSNS scholarships for the ANA summer seminar to two per year at a maximum cost of $1,000 each, with the scholarship committee to determine how the awards are distributed among junior and adult applicants. Seconded by Ray Lockwood. Approved.

The president and the editors will study a possible modification of the advertising commission arrangement.

The question of charging admission to the convention was deferred.

John Wilson moved to raise from $10 to $12 the case rental fee at the annual convention, effective in 1996. Seconded by Allen Karn. Approved.

Paul Padget moved on behalf of the Finance Committee to eliminate gold from exhibit awards. Died for lack of a second.

A committee recommendation to eliminate comp rooms for PNG Day officials as a show expense was withdrawn.

At the conclusion of the report, Paul Padget and Harry Tileston were applauded for their hours of work in preparing the financial proposals.

John Wilson moved to raise junior membership dues from $1 to $3 a year. Seconded by Jim Kaczor. Defeated 4-6.

Jerry Lebo moved to present a constitutional amendment to the general membership in Milwaukee next spring to change the minimum age for regular membership from 19 to 18. Approved.

There was discussion about an individual, as opposed to a club, sponsoring the 1998 St. Louis convention. The consensus seemed to be that the coordinator must work closely with the sponsor to assure that the convention is effected in accordance with CSNS rules.

Florence Schook also suggested that CSNS put on its own convention in cities where there is no suitable host club. Allen Karn said Columbus, Ohio would be a good place to stage a fall convention under those circumstances. Kevin Foley said Leon Thornton will be instructed to investigate that possibility and report at the spring convention meeting.

Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Lebo, Secretary-Treasurer

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Membership Applications

The persons named below have applied for membership in the Society. Each applicant will become a member in 30 days, unless a written objection to his or her application is received by the Secretary-Treasurer prior to that date.

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7121	Mike Capen	Manassas, VA
7122	Bill Bauer	Houston, TX
7123	Claud Brady Jr.	Louisville, KY
7124	Tim Forsyth	Phoenix, AZ
7125	Thomas J. Gannon	Hoffman Estates, IL
7126	Kathy S. Walling	Indianapolis, IN
7127	Sophia Shamhart	Parsippany, NJ
7128	Michelle Garces	Parsippany, NJ
7129	Anita Solanki	Parsippany, NJ
7130	Igor Zhuravliov	Vilnius, Lithuania
7132	John F. Nicastro	Fairport, NY
7136	Jim Wetherell	Lake Orion, MI
7137	Tammi Bansemer	Iola, WI
7138	Clif Brackins	Kalispell, MT

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

7131	Bill Anthony	Elyria, OH

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

7133	James R. Tileston	Louisville, KY
7134	Josh Terrill	Kenosha, WI
7135	Mary Terrill	Kenosha, WI
7139	David Znidersie	Louisville, KY

LIFE MEMBERS

563	Lucille Whittlesey	Houston, TX
568	Leonard F. Standley	Littleton, CO

LOST MEMBERS

Can you help the secretary find them?

C. David McGlothlin	Venice, FL
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NOTE TO CLUB OFFICIALS

Interested in hosting a future CSNS Convention? It is not too early to begin thinking of the future! Submit your letter of invitation to the CSNS Secretary-Treasurer at your earliest convenience. Your request will receive the prompt attention of the Officers and Board of Governors.

Notice of Proposed Amendments

The Central States Numismatic Society Board of Governors has proposed two amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws. These will be presented for consideration at the General Membership meeting at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 29, 1995 at the MECCA in Milwaukee.

Proposal No. 1 lowers from 19 to 18 the age for regular membership in the society. This is an amendment to the Constitution and requires two-thirds majority approval from the members present and voting.

Proposal No. 2 lowers from 13 to 10 the number of Governors on the Board. This is an amendment to the Bylaws and requires a simple majority approval from the members present and voting.

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The proof medal is priced at $15 each plus $2 postage. The business strike medal is priced at $8 each plus $2 postage.

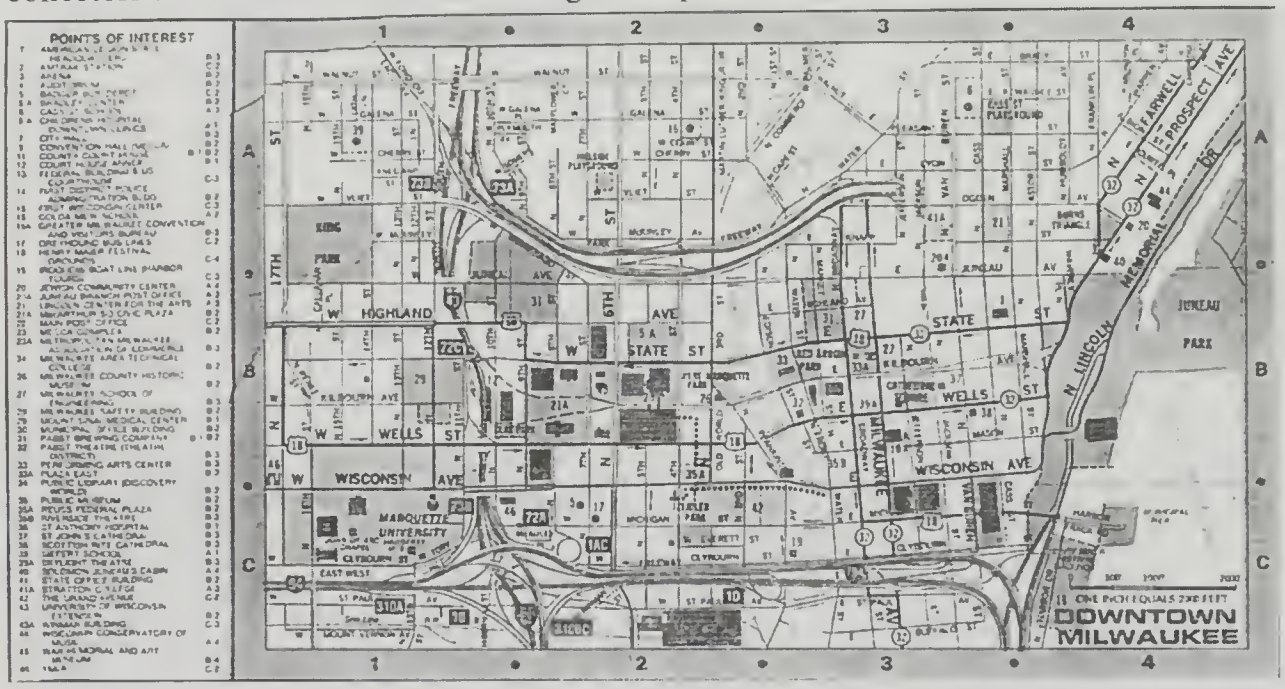
Make checks payable to CSNS and mail your orders to:

Jerry Lebo, Secretary-Treasurer
P.O. Box 44337
Indianapolis, IN 46244

FIFTY SIXTH CENTRAL STATES CONVENTION

An Invitation

As General Chairman for the 56th CSNS Convention we want to take this opportunity to invite you to Milwaukee on April 27 (PNG Day), 28, 29 and 30, 1995 for an absolutely great convention. This will be one of the best coin, currency, ancient, exonumia, and collectible conventions held this year. We expect to draw over 8,000 collectors and exhibitors as well as the general public to this event. We hope you will be



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one of them. There will be no admission charge to our event. Our table sales have been great and if you are a dealer we would like you to sign up soon with Russ Konig to get a better location. We are expecting to have an Ancient & Foreign section at the show.

Milwaukee is the home of the Bucks, Brewers, Admirals and the Wave. I want to invite all of you to come to Milwaukee and take in the wonderful sites and restaurants - all within walking distance. A few noteworthy attractions include the Milwaukee County Zoo, Milwaukee County Historical Society, Mitchell Park Domes, Bradley Center, Milwaukee Public Museum and Library, the Breweries and many others too numerous to mention. See downtown Milwaukee map for more detail.

Some of the convention highlights are the Heritage Auction; American Bank Note Company souvenir card; Competitive exhibits that will be going for the gold prizes in the Senior and Junior categories (some non-competitive exhibits will also be on display); Krause Publications; Western Publishing Company and Coin World booths (giving away free coin papers); Hospitality Room; Friendship Luncheon and tour of Western Publishing and Johnson Wax; Ray Dillard and his elongated rolling machine; Wooden Money and Advertising Notes; Club Tables; Security Room; Postal Station; Education Forum on Saturday afternoon; Young Numismatists program on Saturday; Message Center; Coin Club Society meetings plus much more.

So please take the time now to register. If you plan to exhibit please fill out the application. Hotel rate cards are listed on the application in the center of this issue.

Discount parking will be available at the MacArthur Square parking lot located on North 7th Street between Wells and State Streets.

On behalf of the dedicated CSNS Milwaukee Committee, the Central States Numismatic Society Officers & Board and the host clubs, the Milwaukee Numismatic Society, South Shore Coin Club and Numismatists of Wisconsin - I invite all of you and your families to attend the 56th Annual CSNS Convention at the downtown Milwaukee MECCA Convention Center. See you there!

Numismatically yours,

Bob Korosec

General Chairman

American Bank Note Company Show Souvenir Card

The American Bank Note Company will have a drawing for a Souvenir Card commemorating the 56th Central States Numismatic Society Convention. The card will not be for sale at the convention; however, there will be periodic drawings for ten "special prints." You may enter the drawing at the Central States Numismatic Society table. The drawing will be held at 3:30 P.M. on Friday, 4:30 P.M. on Saturday and 2:30 P.M. on Sunday. Only one name per person may be entered. All the names will be maintained in the barrel for the three days.

If your name is found more than once in the barrel, all of your entries will be thrown away and you will not be eligible to win a card that day. Any folded, bent or mutilated cards found in the barrel will be ineligible. If your name is drawn, you must be present at the Central States Numismatic Society table in order to win. Anyone whose name is drawn and is not in the immediate area - will be disqualified. There will be no charge to the winners of the cards.

You are limited to winning only one of the special cards. If your name is drawn, do not put your name back in the barrel. On behalf of the Central States Numismatic Society, thanks to Paul Schmid and the American Bank Note Company for producing this beautiful souvenir card for our event. Thanks to everyone for cooperating with the rules of the drawing and good luck to all!

Krause Publications adds MidAmerica Coin Convention to Heartland lineup

A third numismatic event has been added to the lineup of Heartland International Trade Shows, which is affiliated with Krause Publications.

As of Oct. 1, Heartland has acquired the MidAmerica Coin Convention, held annually in Milwaukee, from show founder Kevin Foley. Foley will continue as the show's bourse and general chairman.

The Foley-Heartland-Krause combination also produces the highly successful Chicago International Coin Fair (March 24-26, 1995; Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers) and will launch a major new international paper-money show in 1995. The inaugural Chicago Paper Money Exposition is scheduled for Feb. 24-26 at the Ramada O'Hare in the Chicago suburb of Rosemont.

"Both of these conventions are specialty events," Foley said, "and will be a natural complement to the MidAmerica convention, which encompasses all segments of the numismatic marketplace.

"Krause Publications offers unparalleled publicity resources and will significantly strengthen the MidAmerica Coin Convention. I'm looking forward to expanding the successful association I already have with KP as chairman of both their Chicago numismatic conventions as the company adds this well-established show to its numismatic convention holdings."

The MidAmerica show was founded in 1982 and is held annually at the MECCA Convention Center in downtown Milwaukee (500 W. Kilbourn Ave.). Foley has been the show's bourse chairman since its inception.

The 1995 edition is scheduled for June 30-July 2 with dealer setup at 2-8 p.m. June 29. Public bourse hours will be 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday.

Bourse fees range from $99 to $179 for single tables and $189 to $299 for corner spots. Price depends on proximity to the front entrance.

Special room rates have been arranged at two premiere downtown Milwaukee hotels:

The Hyatt Regency—$89 a night for a single or double—is next to MECCA and is connected to the convention center by a skywalk. Phone (414)276-1234.

The Marc Plaza—$79 for a single or double—is a short two-block walk from MECCA. Phone (800) 558-7708.

United Airlines is the official air carrier for the MidAmerica show. Attendees can obtain a 5-percent discount off the lowest fare for which they qualify by calling (800) 521-4041 and advising the agent they are attending event No. 575YZ.

Future MidAmerica dates are June 27-30, 1996; June 26-29, 1997; June 25-28, 1998; and July 8-11, 1999.

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CSNS Friendship Luncheon and Tours 1995

The Milwaukee Committee has lined up a great Friendship Luncheon and tours for the 1995 Central States Numismatic Society Convention, scheduled for April 27 (PNG Day), 28, 29, & 30, 1995. The tour is set up for April 28, 1995. The bus will leave from the center entrance of the MECCA Convention Center promptly at 10:15 A.M. The first stop on the tour will be a stop at Western Publishing Company in Racine, WI. We will have a complete 45-minute guided tour of this facility. As you know, this is the home of many coin hobby products, including the famous Red Book of U.S. Coins which has been published continuously since 1947. Western also makes the Golden Books for children.

Next on the stop will be a lunch at "Old Country Buffet." The next thing on the tour will be a stop at S. C. Johnson Wax Golden Rondelle Theater. You will be treated to an excellent 18-minute movie called "To Be Alive!" We should be back in Milwaukee by about 3:00 P.M.

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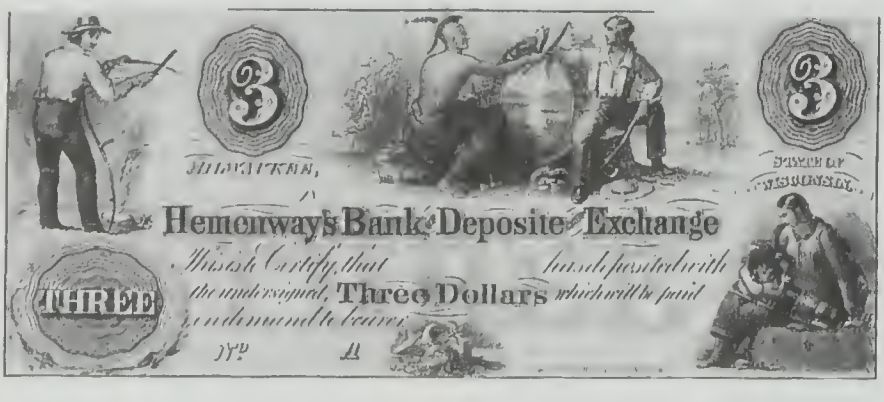
Dear Collector,

The 56th Milwaukee CSNS Committee is making available to the readers of the Centinel and Numismatists of Wisconsin a special Advertising Note, Wooden Nickel and Elongated, that have been prepared for the April 28, 29 & 30, 1995 CSNS Convention at downtown Milwaukee MECCA Convention Center. The convention will be hosted by the Milwaukee Numismatic Society, South Shore Coin Club and Numismatists of Wisconsin. We are requesting either a 29-cent stamp or a SASE (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope) for the three items. Supplies are limited and we will only give one per request. Please send requests to CSNS 56th Milwaukee Committee, c/o John & Nancy Wilson, Box 27185, Milwaukee, WI 53227-4528.



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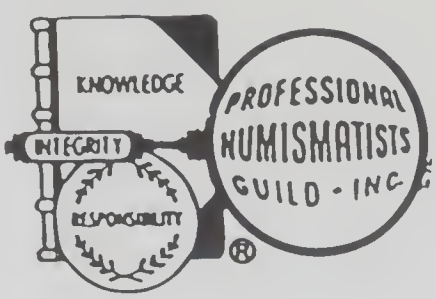

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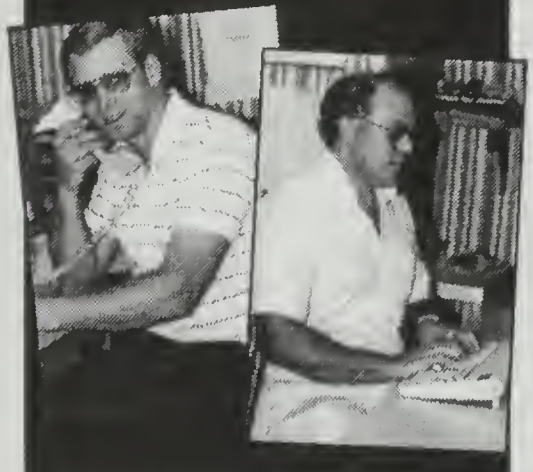

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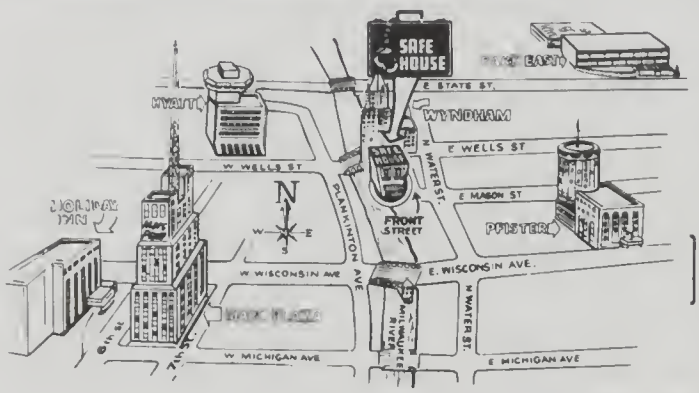
by Richard E. (Gene) Norman

When visiting Milwaukee (say to attend a Central States Numismatic Society convention) you might decide to walk a few blocks to find a place to eat that's not a hotel. Exit from the east end of MECCA, go to south-from Kilbourn Avenue to Wells Street, cross to the south side of the street, go east two and one-half blocks, cross the river and turn right at your first opportunity. You will be on Front Street which runs for one block on the east side of the river. Follow the side of the building and you will come to some steps leading down from a door, past that is another door with a sign reading, "We Import and Export during the following hours..." Next to the door is a brass plaque which announces:



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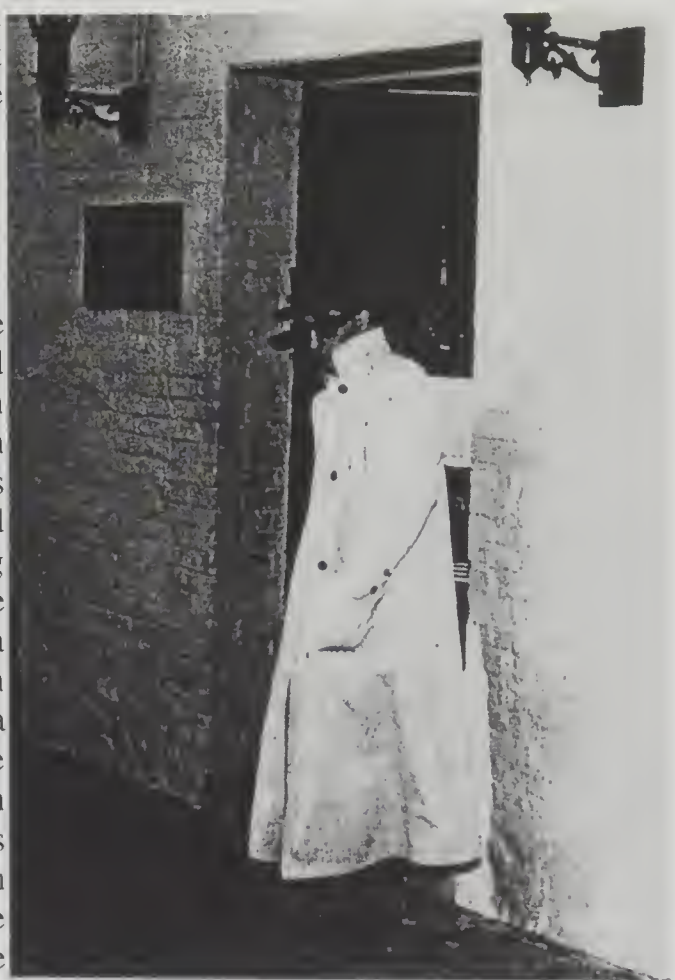
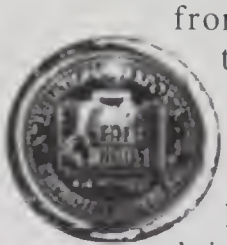
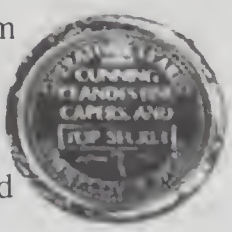


This is the front for "Your Safe House in Milwaukee." A night club and restaurant with a spy motif. I had known about it for a long time. When I worked in downtown Milwaukee in the late seventies they started serving lunches and a friend and I would go there often. After leaving downtown I had lost track of the place until 1987 when I unexpectedly saw a friend who was leaving town, on an impulse I gave him my pocket piece, a Canadian Loon Dollar. He returned the favor by giving me an aluminum token from the Safe House. This token is 35 millimeters in diameter. The obverse features the Safe House logo, which is a courier's briefcase (a briefcase with an attached handcuff) with "SAFE HOUSE" written on it. Below the briefcase is the phone number "414 271-2007." Inside the rim a ring of denticles, and a ring of dots within that. Inside the dots the legend "INTERNATIONAL EXPORTS, LTD." from 8:45 to 3:15 and "MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, USA" from 8:30 to 3:30. The reverse shows the same ring of dots within the denticles and the legend



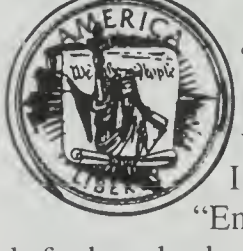


"OPERATIVE CLEARED FOR CUNNING CLANDESTINE CAPERS AND TOP SECRET UNDERCOVER WORK" in 6 lines. My friend told me he had picked it up at the Safe House when I asked. I was, of course, pleased to have an item with both the sentimental value and the Milwaukee connection that this piece had.

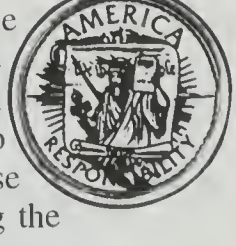
Four years later I mentioned wanting to find out more about this piece to a mutual friend who is also a collector. She said, "You should talk to Shauna Baldwin, her husband owns the Safe House." Shauna Baldwin worked at the same place as I did at the time, but I hadn't had an opportunity to meet her. Sometime later my friend had the misfortune of slipping and breaking her ankle. When I went to visit her at the hospital I finally met Shauna. Seizing the opportunity I asked her what she knew about it. She replied, "You should talk to my husband about that; he also had some medals made."

Needless to say I made an appointment to meet David Baldwin at the Safe House to discuss the tokens and medals he had had struck. A few examples of the token were first struck in bronze with a reeded edge, the remainder were struck in aluminum with a plain edge (since the aluminum did not strike up well with a reeded edge a plain edge was substituted). These were dispensed by a modified slot machine (insert a coin, pull the handle, get a token). Initially about 10,000 tokens were struck, subsequent orders brought the total to approximately 50,000. When this supply was nearly exhausted the workings of the old slot machine had worn so badly that they could no longer support the weight of the token. These tokens were struck by Van Brooke of Lexington, Kentucky.

At this time David also made a gift of an example of his medal, celebrating the bicentennial of the constitution in 1987. This medal was also struck by Van Brooke of Lexington. The dies were cut by an anonymous sculptor. Mr. Baldwin believes he lives (lived) in Memphis, TN. The following description assumes that one side of this medal is the obverse. Mr. Baldwin took pains to make the point that both sides of this medal are equally important.



The obverse of this medal shows the legend "AMERICA" at 12:00 and "LIBERTY" at 6:00. In the center, a scroll with rays at the top, bottom and both sides. On the top of the scroll the legend "We the People" is visible along with a rendition of the statue of Liberty from the waist up. In her right hand Miss Liberty holds aloft the torch she uses for "Enlightening the World," around the torch the legend "RIGHTS," in her left hand she cradles a tablet with the inscription "DUTIES, JULY IV, MDCCLXXXV..." Across the bottom roll of the scroll is the date "1787" in Arabic numerals. A copyright mark appears at 3:30. The reverse of the medal is much like the obverse. The differences make the point of the medal. The tablet engraved "DUTIES" is elevated to Miss Liberty's shoulder, while the lamp is lowered to working level at the waist, the date at the bottom of the scroll reads "1987" and at 6:00 the legend is changed to "RESPONSIBILITY." The edge is reeded and the obverse and reverse dies have a "coinage" die alignment (▲▼). The entire design, including the legends is enclosed in a circular three stranded cable.



This cable is an example of the symbolism which is associated with every element of the design. The following is a partial list.

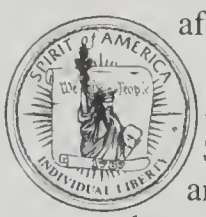
Design Element	Significance
Reeded Edge	The Rule of Law
Three Stranded Cable	The three forms of strength needed in a healthy person/society.
Ring created by the cable	Responsibility creating the necessary space for Liberty
Rays	Civil and individual rights.
Spaces between the rays	Individual rights given up for the sake of community

This design was inspired by the writings of Victor Frankl, who suggested that a "Statue of Responsibility" in San Francisco would make an important counterpoint to the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor. (Mr. Frankl, a psychiatrist and Auschwitz survivor, is the author of *Man in Search of Meaning*, and a great deal on other subjects; any attempt to summarize his work here would be beyond the scope of this article.) This medal was struck in .999 fine silver (20 examples, which by mistake were struck with medal die alignment [▲▲]) and bronze. The die broke after 600 bronze medals had been struck. 500 of these were antiqued. A silver medal was given to the Governor of Wisconsin. John Denver also received a silver medal while Victor Frankl received both a silver and a bronze example and astronaut Buzz Aldrin received a bronze example.

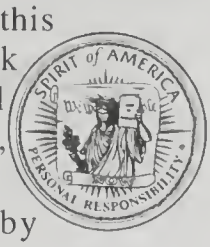
A part of the premises of the Safe House is dedicated to the "Medal of Honor Society." A description and explanation of the Congressional Medal of Honor is on display, as well as special license plates for medal of honor winners and other related material. Sixty to 70 Medal of Honor recipients also received copies of the Liberty/Responsibility medal. Mr. Baldwin personally delivered each of these medals.

The layout of the Safe House is difficult to describe in detail. There are a number of rooms, booths, cubbyholes and passageways. Each of these has something interesting to see, or read. One of the rooms (the room traditionally used for the lunch after the annual Milwaukee Numismatic Society Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic) features "The world's largest puzzle." A number of MNS members have had trouble solving the puzzle, of course, we are all tired after a morning of helping 100 or so scouts receive their Coin Collecting Merit Badge.

David Baldwin founded the Safe House in 1966, at the height of the James Bond craze. The fact that it is still open after 27 years is an indication that he knows how to keep a club like this interesting and up to date. Not the least of the attractions is the food. The Safe House specializes in casual dining, sandwiches, soups and salads, and desserts, of course! I try to have lunch there whenever I am at a meeting in the area. Being close to Milwaukee's theater district (across the street) it undoubtedly sees a lot of business after the various performances are done.



But this story isn't done, David Baldwin is in the process of revising the design of the Liberty/Responsibility medal. He calls his new medal the Spirit of America. Design drawings are included with this article. As you can see, the revised medal emphasizes the link between Individual Liberty and Personal Responsibility. I personally would respect Mr. Baldwin's obviously strongly held views, even if I didn't agree completely.



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The Medal commemorating the 56th Milwaukee Central States Numismatic Society Convention is a view of the front of the Second Ward Savings Bank (which is now the Milwaukee County Historical Society). A very early view of the bank was provided by the Milwaukee County Historical Society Research Center. It was the idea of John & Nancy Wilson to place this famous Milwaukee bank (and now Milwaukee County Historical Society) on the CSNS 95 medal. Reproduced for this story is a copy of a Second Ward Savings Bank advertisement contained in a 1925 Wright's Milwaukee City Directory, which lists the Officers and other information on the bank. A similar view of the bank to this, that was provided by the Milwaukee County Historical Society, will be portrayed on the Official Medal.

The history and romance surrounding the bank are as follows. In 1855 the old firm of Wilmans, Jacobs & Company was reorganized and took the name Second Ward Bank. This was 16 years after Milwaukee became an Incorporated City. The bank was located at Third and Cedar Street (it now occupies a triangle between Plankinton, Kilbourn and Third). The Second Ward name was much more significant in those days as the Second Ward encompassed all of Milwaukee west of the river. In around 1866 the name was changed to the Second Ward Savings Bank. It had a capital of $25,000 and issued notes in denominations of $1, $2, and $5. These notes came in sheets of $1, $2, and $5 and a few of them are extant today. A few scrip examples are also known in the .10, .25 and .50 denominations. Officers of the bank were A. C. Williams, President and W. H. Jacobs, Cashier. Since counterfeiting of banknotes during this era was very common, a few $1 notes are known to have been raised to $10 and $20 notes. All Second Ward Savings Bank notes are extremely rare and desirable. The only signed note we know of is on display at the Milwaukee County Historical Society. Though the bank failed in 1862, almost all the outstanding notes were redeemed at the comptroller's office. The bank was reorganized and continued in business.

In 1873 and 1874 two more branches of the bank were opened, the North Side Branch,

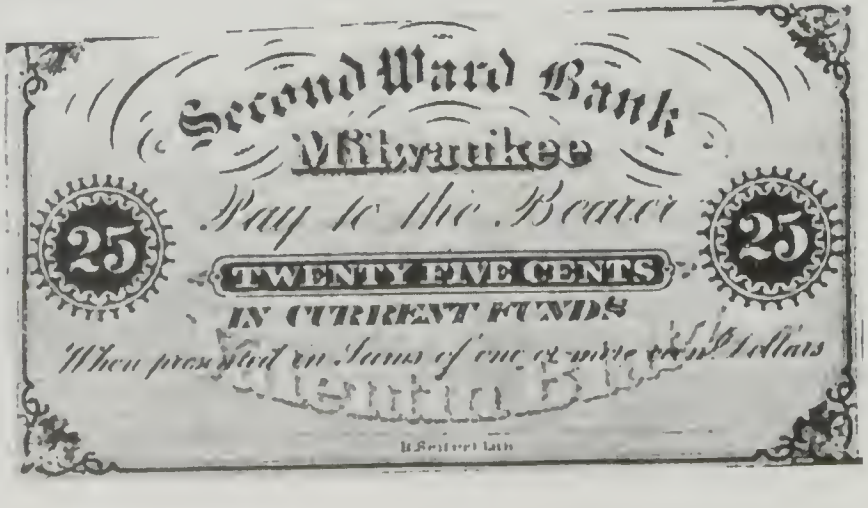
located at Third and North and the Ninth Ward Branch, located at Twelfth and Vliet. With the opening of the branches, it brought the facilities of the downtown bank into the neighborhoods they served. The Second Ward Savings Bank had excellent managers from almost its inception. With the exception of failing only once and surviving, it grew to become at one time the state's largest bank. Serving the community and its people faithfully and almost continuously, it earned the reputation of being "The Bank of Personal Service in Milwaukee."

On December 15, 1928 the Second Ward Savings Bank was taken over by The First Wisconsin National Bank of Milwaukee. The First Wisconsin National Bank later donated the bank to Milwaukee County. Milwaukee County later turned it into the Milwaukee County Historical Society. It's also interesting that the bank's location is also the former site of the first West Side Drinking place. The proprietor was Charles Leland and he liked to call the place Leland's Pavilion. Everyone who drank there called it the Shanty Tavern in tribute to its architecture.

Brewery owners were very involved in running the Second Ward Savings Bank in its early days. Valentin Blatz and later August Uihlein served as Presidents. It is said that this bank was organized by Milwaukee brewers to make sure there was no shortage of money to expand the beer trade. When the brewers ran the bank they were great customers for the meals served at the Republican house right across the street. It was Ma Kletzch's cooking that brought them there. Charles and Ma Kletzch owned the Republican House and it was a major gathering place for many prominent business men in Milwaukee. One of their eight children, Alvin, became the University of Wisconsin's first football coach in 1887. It is also very interesting that in 1889 Ban Johnson, Charles Comiskey and other baseball men gathered in Room 185 of the Republican House and organized the American League.

The Milwaukee County Historical Society (formerly the Second Ward Savings Bank) is located just one block from the MECCA convention center, at 910 North Old World Third Street. Housed inside this beautiful triangular museum are two floors containing many beautiful exhibits and artifacts of early Milwaukee. Do yourself a favor and visit this beautiful Milwaukee landmark. The admission is free, although they have a container that you can donate money into when you leave the building. The hours are: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

On behalf of the Milwaukee '95 CSNS Committee, the host clubs and the Officers and members of the Central States Numismatic Society, we want to personally thank the Milwaukee County Historical Society and in particular Ms. Judith Simonsen for getting permission for us to use the photo that the medal was made from. We want to thank General Chairman Robert Korosec for helping us to design the layout for the medal. We also want to thank Robert W. Wells and his excellent book "This is Kilbourntown" published in 1971 by Time Holdings, Inc. His book provided some information for this story and a copy of the original "Second Ward Savings Bank" building which is reproduced for use in this story.



The "original" Second Ward Savings Bank building was torn down and replaced by the new one (also reproduced for this story in the 1925 Wright's Directory) sometime after

The Second Ward Savings Bank was organized by Milwaukee brewers to make sure there was no shortage of money to expand the beer trade. Some years after replacing this building with the one that now occupies the triangle at Third and Kilbourn, the Second Ward was combined with the First Wisconsin. The Milwaukee County HIstorical Society has inherited the former bank building.

the turn of the century. Thanks also to Mr. Chester L. Krause, the owner of Krause Publications in Iola, Wisconsin. Mr. Krause graciously let us reproduce a 25-cent note from the Second Ward Savings Bank, overprinted Valentin (note there is no "e") Blatz which is portrayed in his monumental work "Wisconsin Obsolete Bank Notes and Scrip" dated 1994 and published by Krause Publications, Inc. This note is reproduced for this story and is probably unique. We hope you enjoyed this story on the history of this beautiful and historical building. If you would like to obtain a medal portraying the bank, the cost at the convention will be $5. Mail orders will be accepted and the cost will be $8, which will cover postage and handling. Mail orders to CSNS 95 Medal, c/o John & Nancy Wilson, P.O. Box 27185, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53227-4528.

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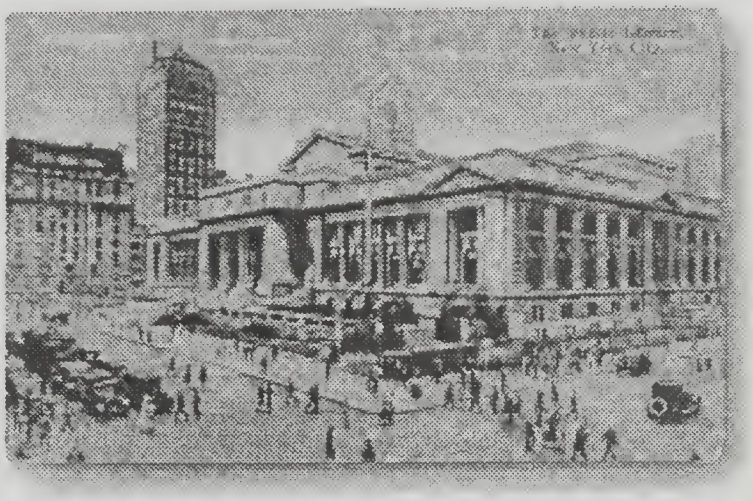

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Denarii of 69 A.D. — Year of the Four Emperors

by William F. Mross

The Roman denarius (plural - denarii) was a silver coin that approximated the size of our dime. It was introduced in 187 B.C., during the Roman Republic, and became the chief coin of that period. It was tariffed at different rates relative to other coins and underwent debasement after debasement as succeeding emperors became pressed for money and sought additional revenues by lowering the precious metal content of the coinage. Under the Roman Empire, the coin most usually shows an obverse portrait of the emperor, whether bare-headed or with a laureate wreath. This writer has seen too many different present-day values given for the denarius to be able to assign a hard-and-fast value to it, but it traditionally represented a day's pay for a soldier in the Roman legions. The denarius was replaced by the antoninianus circa 250 A.D. after circulating side-by-side with the latter denomination for quite some time.

The death of Emperor Nero in 68 A.D. coincided with, and was preceded and succeeded by, a period or revolt and civil war virtually throughout the Empire. 69 A.D., the year following Nero's demise, saw no less than four emperors rule as troop movements and intrigue occurred. The chaos was analogous to our having four Presidents in one year—the first three of whom died violently. Galba was succeeded by Otho, who was succeeded by Vitellius, who was succeeded by Vespasian—the last of these stabilized the situation and ruled for ten years before a natural passing.

GALBA 68-69 A.D.

Servius Sulpicius Galba was born on January 9, 3 B.C., into the family of the Sulpicii, who claimed descent from Jupiter. He compiled an outstanding record as an administrator and military leader, and was highly esteemed by the Emperors Tiberius, Caligula, and Claudius. In 60 A.D. he was appointed governor of the Spanish province of Hispania Tarraconensis, where he spent eight years. Late in his term, he heard rumors that Emperor Nero wanted him assassinated, and he began to have similar thoughts about that ruler.

Galba's troops proclaimed him emperor in April of 68 A.D. He initially refused the tribute, saying that he was the representative of the people. When the Roman Senate followed the lead of the military, Galba no longer thought himself in a position to decline and began to move toward the Eternal City. Representatives of the Senate met with him at Narbo in Gaul (present day France) in perhaps late July of that year, and he entered Rome in September or October.

Galba's troops began to turn against him due to his avarice, rigid economy, and strict discipline. He had failed to compensate them as promised. On January 2, 69 A.D., the lower German legions proclaimed Vitellius as emperor and unrest crested. Eight days later, Galba adopted L. Calpurnius Piso as his successor, thereby angering Otho, who fancied himself for that distinction. The latter organized a conspiracy at Rome and on January 15th both Galba and Piso were slain in the Forum by the Praetorian Guard.

Galba emitted substantial coinage given his brief reign. He needed immediate coinage to pay his troops enroute to Rome. Initial coins came from Spanish mints, then from those in Gaul, and finally from the coin factories of Rome and Africa. There were no specimens from the Eastern mints. The early obverse portraits were quite crude, but they improved with the passage of time and the availability of actual depictions of the ruler. Many obverse legends are available—they became more elaborate with Galba's

assumption of additional titles. Reverses typically vary. Some make particular note of the emperor's Hispanic origination. Others include Liberty, Roma, Pax, Ceres, Concordia, Felicitas, Vesta, Victory, an oak wreath, SPQR, Gallic devices, and a commemoration of a tax reduction in the Western provinces. All metals were employed — gold, silver, copper, and bronze. Denominations included aureii, denarii, quinarii, sestertii, and the lower asses.

OTHO - 69 A.D.

Marcus Salvius Otho was born in 32 A.D., the son of a consul and a member of a prominent family. He was variously described as handsome, brave, talented, strict, an accomplished military man, effeminate, and a bit of a playboy. He was a favorite of Nero and soon became equally debauched. Otho's wife, Poppaea Sabina, had been friendly with Nero before the marriage. The relationship flowered after Otho became a praetor, and Nero appointed him governor of the Spanish province of Lusitania in 58 A.D. to effectively exile him. During the ten intervening years, the emperor annulled the marriage and acquired Poppaea as his own. This proved disturbing to Otho, and he became a supporter of Galba for the throne, viewing himself as a natural successor. His enthusiasm for Galba cooled when the latter adopted L. Calpurnius Piso as his heir to Otho's exclusion. Payments to the military helped to secure the assassinations of Galba and Piso and the installation of Otho as emperor on January 15, 69 A.D.

Otho's reign saw nothing but civil war. Despite his having defeated Vitellius no less than three times, the German legions nonetheless aligned themselves with the latter. Otho had substantial support in Dalmatia, Pannonia, and Moesia, but his real bailiwick was in Italy, and particularly in Rome. The Eastern legions favored him only after being pressured by Vespasian and Mucianus, and the outright opposition of this military territory to Otho soon resulted. Spain and Gaul were soon lost, and Otho committed suicide at the age of 37 on April 16-17, 69 A.D. after his defeat at the Battle of Bedriacum. His wish to marry Nero's widow, Statitia Messalina, went unfulfilled.

Otho was in desperate need of money at once to pay his troops and lost no time in coining gold and silver. Only aureii and denarii were emitted, and just from the mint at Rome. This short-lived ruler lacked control over other coining facilities. The precious metals were solely an imperatorial prerogative to coin. No copper pieces appeared at all. They could have been unneeded, or perhaps the Roman Senate (which had to approve their striking) withheld its consent due to the unsettled situation or a dislike for Otho. A minor amount of coins from the Eastern mints is known. Otho never wears a laurel wreath on his coins, which have the lesser metallic fineness (or even lower still) introduced by Nero. The coins are said to be neat, carefully struck, compact, tidy, appropriate, accurate, and realistic in their depiction. Their style and fabric is uniform. Otho assumed the title of PONTIFEX MAXIMUS (leader of the religion) on March 9, 69 A.D.

VITELLIUS - 69 A.D.

Aulus Vitellius was born in 14 or 15 A.D. and was a friend to all of the emperors. He held several substantial jobs, including that of consul in 48 A.D. and proconsul and legate in Africa under his brother. Galba granted him command of the legions in lower Germany. On January 2, 69 A.D., he was proclaimed emperor by his troops. Other soldiers joined his army, and he learned of Galba's death after he began his march to Italy. His generals defeated Otho in northern Italy to give Vitellius control of the entire Roman Empire, but the new emperor's gluttony caused him to pay more attention to the pleasures of the table than to the rigors of government. On July 1, 69 A.D., Vespasian was hailed as emperor at Alexandria. The Illyrian and Danubian legions rapidly came to support him. Italy was invaded, Vitellius troops were defeated, and the Emperor himself was seized, dragged in the streets of Rome, killed by a mob, and thrown into the Tiber River.

VESPASIAN - 69-79 A.D.

Titus Flavius Sabinus Vespasianus was born in Sabine Reate/Falacrina in 9 A.D., the son of Flavius Sabinus, a tax collector, and Vespasia Polla. He was possessed of substantial military skills and held several important posts, including aedile in 38 A.D. and praetor in 40 A.D. He commanded some of the forces that invaded Britain under Claudius and received an award of triumphalia ornamenta. In about 63 A.D. he became proconsul in Africa and in 66 A.D. accompanied Nero to Greece. Vespasian was thereafter appointed to quell the Jewish rebellion and did so vigorously.

The legions of Alexandria proclaimed Vespasian emperor on July 1, 69 A.D. The support of the Danubian and Illyrian legions followed. Italy was invaded and Vitellius was defeated at Cremona. The new emperor reached Rome in 70 A.D.. The Senate confirmed him as emperor. His initial job was to heal the wounds of the civil war, and this he performed admirably. Vespasian's son and successor, Titus, was left to complete the suppression of the Jews. Vespasian proved to be a just and industrious ruler. The Roman Senate deified him after his death on July 24, 79 A.D.

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OWLS OF THE GOLDEN AGE OF ATHENS

In the fifth century B.C., the city of Athens became the most prosperous and powerful state in Greece. Under their great statesman Pericles, the Athenians built an empire through their leadership of the Delian League, an anti-Persian military alliance. The tetradrachms of Athens, popularly known as "owls" because of their reverse design, are wonderful artifacts of the city's Golden Age. These distinctive silver coins were struck from the wealth that poured into Athens from her own silver mines and from the cities under her rule. Athenian "owls" became the standard currency of the Aegean region. In about 449 B.C., Athens issued a decree directing her subject states to cease coining silver and use Athenian coins in all transactions with the city. The reputation of "owls" as a stable currency was so great that they were used for trade far and wide. Hoards of Athenian tetradrachms have been found from Sicily and Italy in the west to Afghanistan in the east.

The Athenians used the great wealth the city now possessed to rebuild the temples burned down by the Persians in 480 B.C. For this purpose, Pericles appropriated the colossal sum of 5,000 talents (equal to 7,500,000 tetradrachms) from the treasury of the Delian League. The greatest of these temples was the Parthenon, begun in 447 B.C. Under the direction of the sculptor Phidais, the greatest architects and sculptors of the day labored to produce the finest of all Classical Greek buildings. The city's wealth also helped pay for the production of dramas performed as part of the festival of Dionysus, held each spring. The tragedies of Aeschylus, Sophocles, and Euripides, and the comedies of Aristophanes which were written and performed during Athens' Golden Age are still acted today. The city had also become a center of learning.

This was the era of the philosopher Socrates and his star pupil Plato, who, in their search for knowledge and understanding of the human condition, left an enduring legacy. That literature, philosophy, and art should flourish in the city which took its name from the goddess of wisdom, Athena, seems appropriate.

Athens' wealth and power aroused the envy of other Greek states, especially Sparta. In 431 B.C., the great contest between the two city-states and their allies known as the Peloponnesian War began. At the outset of the war, Athens had a reserve of 6,000 talents (9,000,000 tetradrachms) in coined silver lodged in the opisthodomos (treasury) of the Parthenon. However, plague (which took the life of Pericles in 429 B.C.) and ill-conceived military ventures (such as the disastrous campaign of 415-413 B.C. against Syracuse) proved to be the city's undoing. In 404 B.C., she surrendered to Sparta and dismantled her fortifications. Athens would become a power again in the fourth century B.C., but she never regained the dominant position she attained before the Peloponessian War.

Because of what they represent, Athenian "owls" are among the most sought-after of ancient coins. Weighing in at about 17.20 grams each, they are of almost pure silver. On the obverse of these coins is the head of Athena, wearing a crested helmet decorated with three olive leaves and a floral scroll. Although Athena's head is shown in profile, her eye is shown frontally—an archaic feature which may have been retained due to a reluctance to tamper with a recognized symbol of financial stability. On the reverse is Athena's companion, the owl.

According to Greek legend, Athena's owl flew around the world each night to bring back to the goddess news of the day's events. Behind the owl is a sprig of olive (a reference to the city's chief agricultural export, olive oil) and a crescent moon (possibly

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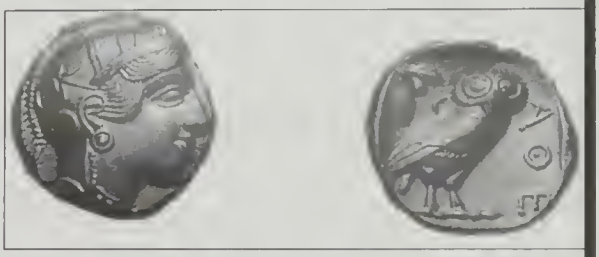

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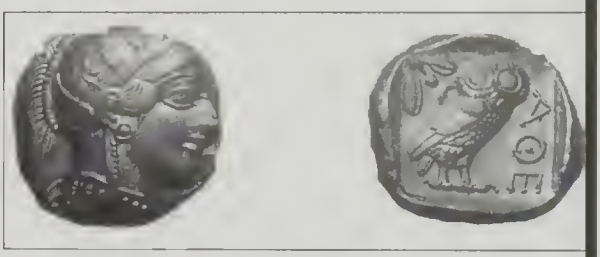

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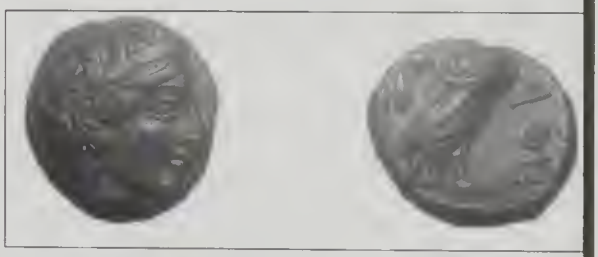

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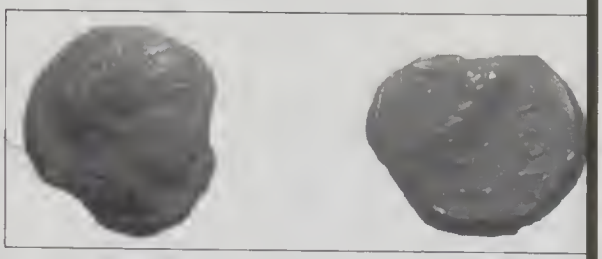

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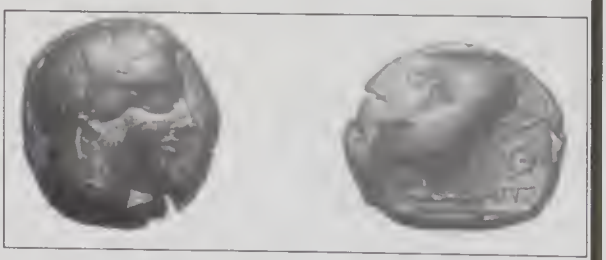

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SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The President and Board of Governors of the Central States Numismatic Society are pleased to announce the availability of an adult scholarship for Society members to attend the Summer Seminar educational program of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Summer Seminar is a week-long series of educational lectures held each year at ANA headquarters and the campus of Colorado College.

Award includes tuition, room and board, as well as coach class airfare from the airport nearest the awardee's place of legal residence. The approximate value of the award is $1,000.

Applicants should apply by letter and will be judged primarily on the basis of past contributions to organized numismatics. Examples of activities considered to enhance an application include service as a local, regional, or national numismatic organization officer; publication of numismatically related articles; a history of exhibiting at coin shows and other numismatic exhibitions; as well as service on the staff of local, regional, or national coin shows or numismatic conventions.

Applications for the adult award should send their credentials to:

Roger Winkelhake

P.O. Box 6071

LIncoln, NE 68506

All applications must be postmarked no later than March 15, 1995. Awards will be announced at the general membership meeting of the Society.

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YOUNG NUMISMATIST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The President and Board of Governors of the Central States Numismatic Society are pleased to announce the availability of a scholarship for YN members to attend the Summer Seminar educational program of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Summer Seminar is a week-long series of educational lectures held each year at ANA headquarters and the campus of Colorado College.

Award includes tuition, room and board, as well as coach class airfare from the airport nearest the awardee's place of legal residence. The approximate value of the award is $1,000.

Applicants must be between 13 and 17 years of age as of January 1, 1995.

Applicants must be a CSNS member in good standing for a period of at least one (1) year prior to applying for a scholarship application.

Recipients of a CSNS scholarship in previous years are ineligible to win again.

YN's will be judged mainly on their activities and contributions to CSNS; for their accomplishments in school, church, and community; and may not have attended the ANA Summer Seminar on a scholarship from another organization. Preference will be given to applicants residing within the CSNS region.

For a copy of the CSNS Young Numismatist Scholarship Guidelines and application write to:

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Preliminary Convention Schedule

Central States Numismatic Society 56th Anniversary Convention

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN — APRIL 28-30, 1995

PNG DAY — THURSDAY, APRIL 27

The following tentative schedule of events for the 56th Anniversary Convention of the Central States Numismatic Society is presented here as a convenience for potential convention attendees. Because of printing deadlines it is probable that some changes and additions will be made to the schedule prior to the actual dates of the convention. Please consult the official program, available at the convention itself, for final details.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1995

12:00 Noon Security room opens (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
11:00 p.m. Security room closes

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1995

7:00 a.m. Security room opens to PNG dealers (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
8:00 a.m. Bourse opens to PNG dealers
8:00 a.m. Auction lot viewing begins MECCA Convention Center
10:00 a.m. Bourse opens to the general public
10:00 a.m. CSNS packet pick-up begins for booth holders & exhibitors
10:00 a.m. Security room opens to CSNS dealers and badge holders (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
3:00 p.m. CSNS Board of Governors **Open** Board meeting at the Hyatt Regency
4:30 p.m. One way traffic begins (except for PNG table holders or officials)
5:00 p.m. PNG Day bourse closes
7:00 p.m. Bourse opens to CSNS dealers holding tables & exhibitors
8:00 p.m. Auction lot viewing ends
9:00 p.m. Bourse entry closes - everyone must vacate hall
9:15 p.m. Security room closes

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1995

7:00 a.m. Security room opens (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
8:00 a.m. CSNS Board of Governors **Open** Board meeting at the Hyatt Regency
8:00 a.m. Bourse opens to dealers with booths & exhibitors
8:00 a.m. Auction lot viewing begins MECCA Convention Center
9:55 a.m. Ribbon cutting ceremonies
10:00 a.m. Hospitality room opens (location to be announced)
10:00 a.m. Bourse opens to the general public
10:00 a.m. Friendship luncheon/tour leaves from front/center of Convention Center
1:00 p.m. Banquet ticket sales end
1:00 p.m. Competitive exhibits must be set up
4:00 p.m. Hospitality room closes
6:15 p.m. Auction lot viewing ends
6:30 p.m. One way traffic begins (except for CSNS table holders, exhibitors, or officials)
7:00 p.m. Bourse entry closes - everyone must vacate hall
7:00 p.m. Heritage auction first session begins at the Hyatt Regency
7:15 p.m. Security room closes
7:30 p.m. WIN (Women in Numismatics) board meeting at the Hyatt

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 1995

8:00 a.m. Security room opens (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
8:00 a.m. Auction lot viewing begins MECCA Convention Center
8:00 a.m. Open meeting Women in Numismatics regional meeting upper level East meeting room (to be announced).
9:00 a.m. Bourse opens to dealers with booths & exhibitors
9:30 a.m. Open meeting Barber Coin Collectors Society regional meeting upper level East meeting room (to be announced).
9:30 a.m. Auction lot viewing ends
10:00 a.m. Heritage auction second session begins at the Hyatt Regency
10:00 a.m. Bourse opens to the general public
10:00 a.m. Hospitality room opens (location to be announced).
10:30 a.m. Open meeting International Banknote Society/Society of Paper Money Collectors general membership meeting & educational forum. John and Nancy Wilson will give a program on J.S.G. Boggs in the upper level East meeting room (to be announced).
11:30 a.m. Open meeting Young Numismatists program featuring Florence Schook, Dave Hunsicker, Nancy Wilson and Neil Shafer in upper level of East meeting rooms (to be announced). Lots of fun and surprises!
1:30 p.m. Open meeting Central States Numismatic Society Educational Forum featuring Fred Schwan and Anthony Swiatek. Moderated by Neil Shafer in upper level East Octagon Room.
3:00 p.m. Open meeting Central States Numismatic Society General Membership Meeting & Exhibit Awards in upper level East Octagon Room.
4:00 p.m. Hospitality room closes
5:30 p.m. One way traffic begins (except for CSNS table holders, exhibitors, or officials)
6:00 p.m. Bourse entry closes - everyone must vacate hall
6:15 p.m. Security room closes
7:00 p.m. CSNS Reception & Cocktail Hour - Hyatt Regency 2nd level foyer
8:00 p.m. CSNS Banquet - Hyatt Regency Ballroom 2nd floor. By ticket only.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 1995

8:00 a.m. Security room opens (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
8:00 a.m. Open Interdenominational Church Service conducted by Virg Marshall III, at the Hyatt Regency. Everyone is invited to this service.
9:00 a.m. Bourse opens to dealers with booths and exhibitors
9:00 a.m. Central States Numismatic Society Board meeting at the Hyatt Regency
10:00 a.m. Bourse opens to the general public
10:00 a.m. Hospitality room opens (location to be announced)
11:00 a.m. Open meeting Numismatists of Wisconsin (NOW) Board Meeting in the upper level of the East meeting rooms (to be announced)
2:00 p.m. Hospitality room closes
2:30 p.m. Bourse entry closes (except for CSNS table holders, exhibitors or officials)
3:00 p.m. Bourse entry closes - everyone must vacate hall - show officially closed.
3:15 p.m. Security room closes

MONDAY, MAY 1, 1995

6:00 a.m. Security room opens (East Exhibit Hall of MECCA)
10:00 a.m. Security room closes and everything must be removed

Note: Items not claimed when the security room closes will be considered abandoned property. The items will be turned over to the Milwaukee Police Department.

Plan now to attend 1995 CICF

World-coin collectors are reminded to plan now to attend the 1995 Chicago International Coin Fair.

CICF '95 is scheduled for March 24-26 and will return to its traditional Friday-through-Sunday run. The Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers in downtown Chicago will be the site for the second consecutive year. The Sheraton received positive reviews from dealers and collectors alike after its inaugural hosting of the show in 1994.

Room reservations at the Sheraton can be made by calling (312) 464-1000 or writing Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers, 301 E. North Water St., Chicago, IL 60611. Be sure to mention the Chicago International Coin Fair with your inquiry to receive a special room rate of $121 a night.

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The Chicago International Coin Fair is a production of Heartland International Trade Shows Inc. in affiliation with Krause Publications, publisher of *World Coin News* and the *Standard Catalog of World Coins*.

More information about CICF can be obtained from Kevin Foley, Convention Manager, P.O. Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Phone (414) 282-2388. Fax (414) 282-3528.

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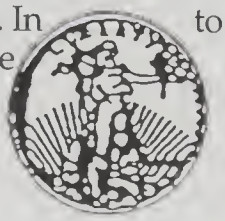

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Show Calendar

Show Chairmen are invited to send announcements of upcoming coin shows in the Central States region. The Show Calendar is intended to assist collectors and dealers in planning their show attendance. It is also designed to aid show sponsors in avoiding date conflicts. Show dates will be listed up to 12 months in advance and show sponsors are encouraged to submit dates for future shows through December, 1995. Please include the city where the show will be held, official name of the show, show dates and location, as well as the name, address and phone number of the show or bourse chairman. Send to Jim or Karen Jach, P.O. Box 21766, Milwaukee, WI 53221.

1995 Show Calendar

MUNCIE, INDIANA —JANUARY 22

Muncie Coin Club 38th Annual Coin Show, Ball State University, Student Center - Cardinal Hall, 2200 University Ave., Muncie, IN 47302. Ray Saylor, P.O. Box 1184, Munice, IN 47302. 317/288-0371

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA —FEBRUARY 12, MARCH 12, APRIL 9, & MAY 14

2nd Sunday Coin & Currency Show, Knights of Columbus, 2100 E. 71st St., (1 block west of 71st & Keystone Ave.), Indianapolis, IN. Jennifer Roessler, P.O. Box 20861, Indianapolis, IN 46220. 317/576-9001

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA — MARCH 11-12

The Old Fort Coin Club Coin Show, Ramada Inn, Fort Wayne, IN. Marv Mericle, Box 11051, Ft. Wayne, IN 46855.

RACINE, WISCONSIN — MARCH 5

Racine Numismatic Society 57th Annual Coin Show, Racine Marriott, 7111 W. Washington Ave., Hwy. 20, Racine, WI. Jerome Binsfeld, P.O. Box 191, Pleasant Prairie, WI. 414/843-2321

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS — MARCH 24-26

Chicago International Coin Fair, Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers, 301 E. North Water St., Chicago, IL. Kevin Foley, P.O. Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414/282-2388.

JOLIET, ILLINOIS — MARCH 26

Will County Coin Club, Holiday Inn, Interstate 80 & Larkin Ave., Clayton J. Hagemann, 1414 Eldamain Rd., Plano, IL 60545. 708/552-3491

MARION, INDIANA — MARCH 26

Marion Coin Club 37th Annual Show, Grant County 4-H Fairgrounds, State Highway 18 East of Marion, IN. W. Ray Lockwood, c/o Marion Coin Club, P.O. Box 93, Marion, IN 46952.

WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN — APRIL 2

Waukesha Coin Club 26th Annual Show, Waukesha Expo Arena, 1200 Northview Road, Waukesha, WI. Tom Snyder, 801 Northview Road, Waukesha, WI 53288 414/542-5990

OSKALOOSA, IOWA — APRIL 22-23

Oskaloosa-Southern Iowa Coin Club Show, Penn Central Mall, 200 High Avenue West, Oskaloosa, IA. Gail McKee, P.O. Box 11, Oskaloosa, IA 52577. 515/673-4011

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN — APRIL 27-30

Central States Numismatic Society's 56th Annual Convention, hosted by South Shore Coin Club, Milwaukee Numismatic Society and Numismatists of Wisconsin, MECCA Convention Center, 500 W. Kilbourn Avenue, Milwaukee, WI. Russ Konig, 4040 N. Calhoun Road, Brookfield, WI 53005. 414/781-4200

ANDERSON, INDIANA — MAY 7

Madison County Coin Club Show, UAW #663 Union Hall, 29th Street & Madison Avenue, Anderson, IN. William Gwaltney, P.O. Box 2, Anderson, IN 46015. 317/642-9048

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA — JUNE 9-10

Indiana State Numismatic Association 37th Annual Convention, Indiana Convention Center, Hall E, 100 S. Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN. Jennifer Roessler, P.O. Box 20861, Indianapolis, IN 46220. 327/576-9001

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN — JUNE 30-JULY 2

Mid America Coin Convention, MECCA Convention Center, 500 W. Kilbourn Avenue, Milwaukee, WI. Kevin Foley, P.O. Box 589, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414/282-2388

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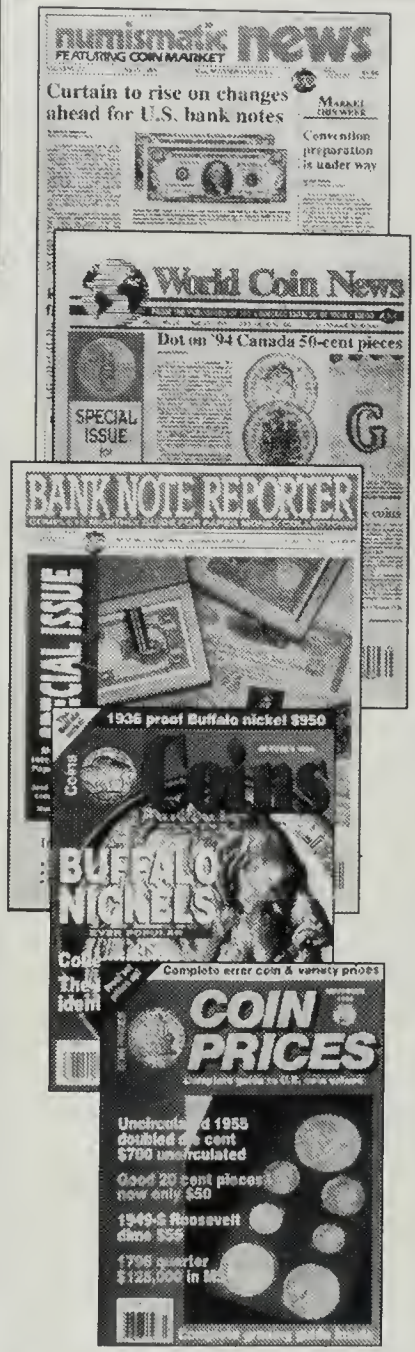

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